

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A broadcast receiving apparatus comprising:  
reception means for receiving a first broadcast program transmitted according to a predetermined program schedule and incidental information allowing identification of said broadcast program;

record means for recording said received first broadcast program; and  
rerecord promote means for searching, when recording of the first broadcast program has ended in failure, for ~~an alternative~~ a second broadcast program other than the first broadcast program providing the same content as said failed first broadcast program, on the basis of said incidental information, and performing reservation processing for recording said ~~alternative~~ second broadcast program.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said rerecord promote means outputs to the user information on said ~~alternative~~ second broadcast program.

4. (Currently Amended) A broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

linkage processing means for linking together, when recording of the first broadcast program has ended in failure, ~~an alternative~~ the second broadcast program

other than said first broadcast program that is positioned immediately before and after said first broadcast program of which recording has ended in failure, by use of said incidental information.

5. (Currently Amended) The broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising:

supplement means for acquiring ~~an alternative~~ the second broadcast program other than said first broadcast program providing the same content as said first broadcast program of which recording has ended in failure, on the basis of said incidental information, said supplemental means inserting said acquired ~~alternative~~ second broadcast program into the linkage portion.

6. (Previously Amended) The broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

failure information presentation means for presenting to the user information related to a failure in broadcast program recording.

7. (Previously Amended) The broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising:

failure information presentation means for presenting to the user information related to a failure in broadcast program recording.

8. (Previously Amended) A broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

obviation processing means for comparing incidental information for broadcast program content to be newly recorded with incidental information of broadcast program

content that has already been recorded by said record means, to thereby preclude double recording of broadcast program content.

9. (Previously Amended) The broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 8, wherein

said obviation processing means outputs to the user information on the presence of the same broadcast program content that has already been recorded.

10. (Previously Amended) The broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 9, wherein

said obviation processing means prohibits recording of broadcast program content that is identical to broadcast program content already recorded.

11. (Currently Amended) A method of receiving and storing a broadcast, comprising the steps of:

receiving a first broadcast program transmitted according to a predetermined program schedule and incidental information that enables said broadcast program to be identified;

recording said first broadcast program received;

searching, when recording of [a] said first broadcast program has ended in failure, for ~~an alternative~~ a second broadcast program other than said first broadcast program that provides the same content as said failed first broadcast program, on the basis of said incidental information, and performing reservation processing for recording said program.

12. (Previously Amended) A method of receiving and storing a broadcast, according to claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

linking together, when recording of a broadcast program content has ended in failure, broadcast program content that is positioned immediately before and after said broadcast program content of which recording has ended in failure, on the basis of said incidental information.

13. (Previously Amended) A method of receiving and storing a broadcast according to claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

comparing incidental information of a broadcast program content to be newly recorded with incidental information of broadcast program content that has already been recorded in said record means, to thereby perform processing precluding double recording of broadcast program content.